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Indira Canteens: DC Conducts Reality Check

Directorate of Municipal Administration asks for progress report

Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep holding a progress review meeting at his office in city this morning. MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha and other officials concerned attended the meeting. Picture left shows beneficiaries savouring food at one of the Indira Canteens in city.

Mysuru, Jan.29 (RK&NNN)- The reality check on eleven Indira Canteens inaugurated by Chief Minister Siddharamaiah in city on Jan.12 presents a bleak picture as more than two weeks after the opening there are a lot of pending works to be completed.

These facts were revealed at a progress review meeting chaired by Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep at his office here this morning in the presence of MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha, Superintending Engineer, Executive Engineer, Assistant Commissioners of MCC and the contractor who is in charge of supplying the food.

The meeting was necessitated as the Directorate of Municipal Administration under which the MCC and Indira Canteens come asked for the progress report on 11 canteens set up in city.

The DC, addressing the media later, said that there were still some issues that had to be set right and by the time the canteens complete one month on Feb.12, he hoped that all the problems would be resolved.

"The main problem is a couple of civil works are still pending. For instance, the RO Plants which should be installed in all the canteens to provide clean drinking water is still not in place. The pipes laid to drain out sewage water are of 1.5 inch thickness whereas it should be of 2.5 inch thickness. This has resulted in the clogging of drains," he said.

There are no security personnel at the canteen sites and CC TV cameras are not installed inside the canteens. A few plates were found missing in some canteens and hence the contractor is using paper plates, he said.

"Out of the two master kitchens, one in Kumbarakoppal and another in Alanahalli, only the former is functioning. There is no cold storage here to store vegetables, milk and other groceries. The civil work on the second kitchen is still going on and it will be completed in 15 days."

(See DC on page 9)

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Alleged assault on advocate by Cop

Mysuru-Bengaluru Bar Assn. members

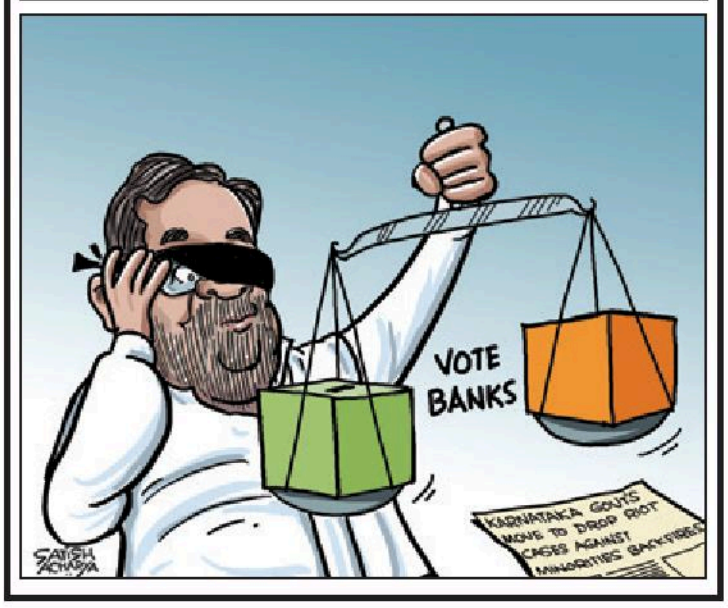
hold meeting to chalk out future course of action

Mysuru, Jan. 29 (MTY&KS)- With the senior Police officials not suspending Nazarbad Sub-Inspector Yellalinga for allegedly assaulting advocate and BJP Youth Wing President Gokul Govardhan, who had visited the Police Station on Jan. 21 evening to lodge a complaint in connection with the illegal activities going on in a Government School premises, about 100 members of Mysuru and Bengaluru Bar Associations held a closed door meeting to chalk out the future course of action at the Association office in the Court premises here this morning.

Sources said that the advocates were holding discussions whether to stage a protest in front of Nazarbad Police Station or opposite to the Courts or on the Ring Road or to take out a massive protest rally.

(See MEETING on page 8)

STAR PUNCH By Satish Acharya



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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."
Editor-in-Chief: K.B. GANAPATHY B.A; B.L.
Mysuru, Monday 29th January 2018

Life with wisdom

An expression not in the air nowadays to the extent it is needed to lead life with wisdom namely, *Eat to live and not live to eat* **tells all about** *Ayur Veda* **(Science of Life) in the simplest manner as it were. Describing Ayurveda in many commonly noticed ways has turned fascinating. Some have portrayed the term as Indian system of** *medicine.* **Some others have described it as an ancient system of** *natural* **healing with its origins in the Vedic culture of about 5,000 years vintage. Following its integration into primary healthcare in India, Ayurveda is recognised in the West as an alternative system. Other perceptions of Ayurveda include its translation as the 'Wisdom of Life' and the 'Knowledge of Longevity.' Given the desire on the part of every human being to not only stay healthy but also live a long life, the last aforementioned perception of Ayurveda can be considered as the driving force behind the resurgence of Ayurveda both in India and many other regions of the world.**

The custom of touching the feet of the elderly, seeking their blessings and also as a mark of showing respect is only one out of a long list of practises creating the *feel-good* **effect for the elderly as well as the younger folk, still being followed in our times earned both appreciation and good wishes for a long, and therefore healthy life for the younger party. Faith and total dependence on Ayurveda for safeguarding wellness was taken as the hidden advisory.**

While Charaka, Sushruta and Vagbhata are considered as the greatest trio pioneering the practice of Ayurveda several centuries ago and generations have benefited from their work through Pundits since, with a sense of service all along, the ancient knowledge is morphed into prosperous industry on the same lines of aggressive marketing characteristic of Allopathic medicinal products. The unobtrusive and quiet world of Ayurveda has begun to witness high-voltage promotion of health-assuring *natural* **products, concoctions improving looks, oils for massage, lotions for skincare and so on. Many companies, including the well-known** *family* **enterprises in Mysuru and Nanjangud, have their branded products and captive patrons in a long tradition.**

The long-standing system of sustaining Ayurveda in families has now yielded place to learning the art and science of the ancient practice in colleges. However, the money-power of Allopathy and lip sympathy of administration for Ayurveda are hurdles in the way of Ayurveda earning its rightful place in the country. The sector is also plagued by quacks and surfeit of products lacking in quality assurance, alongside spurious allopathic drugs commanding abundant sales. Wisdom of people is yet to match the wisdom of Ayurveda.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

When India is shaken by the murder of a Gauri Lankesh or the lynching of a Junaid Khan or attacks on Dalits or crude and distasteful comments by people he follows on social media, it's not acceptable for the Prime Minister to remain silent. These are moments when he must speak out. If he doesn't it suggests either he doesn't care or, worse, doesn't disagree with what's happening. The argument the Prime Minister doesn't have to comment on every event is both facetious and foolish. When injustice happens he needs to speak out every single time. And if it keeps repeating itself — as has often been the case — his comments need to reflect his growing concern.

— Karan Thapar in Business Standard

NEWS SPARKLERS

Unusual cow !

Warsaw: Here's something you don't see every day, a cow in Poland apparently got so bored of its life as a domestic animal on a farm that it escaped and joined a herd of wild bison on the edge of the primeval Bialowieza Forest, on the Belarusian border. The copper-colored cow has been living with its new bison family in eastern Poland for the past three months, and seems to have adjusted just fine.

The first person to spot the cow in the bison herd was ornithologist Adam Zbyryt. At first glance, he thought the small reddish brown specimen was a bison exhibiting a mutation. However, he realised it was actually a Limousin cow, a French breed that is popular in Poland. Photos of the cow sticking out like sore thumb among the bison went viral in Polish media a few months ago, but naturalists were sure the animal wasn't going to last long in the wild, but they were wrong.The domestic animal looked healthy, and at ease among the bison herd. He told the Associated Press that the survival of the cow in the wild is likely thanks to the thick fur common to the Limousin breed.

Music from the bee colonies !

London: British beekeeper and musician Bioni Samp has found an incredible way to combine his two greatest passions. He records the frequencies of his bees and uses them to create original electronic musical compositions.

Bioni – a pseudonym, as his real name is a closely guarded secret– produces abstract music that is rhythmic and dancey, but the 50-something Londoner has a higher goal than making people get jiggy with it on the dance floor. He uses his unusual music to raise awareness about colony collapse disorder (CDC), a plague that has wiped out millions of honeybee hives globally since 2006. He feels that by using bees as a musical instrument he can preach people about the plight of bees and the dangers their extinction poses to humanity. He began recording and analyzing the frequencies of his bees, such as the "songs" the queens make when communicating with their hives, and using them in his electronic compositions. He also spent a decade, inventing the Hive Synthesiser, "an ever expanding, modular synthesiser made from recycled electrical components, that emulates 'bee sounds' and uses honey as a organic electrical resistor."

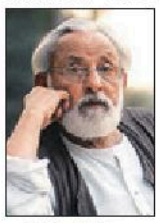
HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What can I do to eat healthy when I'm eating out?

Try eating a healthy snack before you go to the restaurant, so that you're not so hungry. Eat slowly. Order water or unsweetened tea instead of sugary drinks. Eat the meat, avoid the bread and plan ahead to avoid dessert or eat a healthy dessert like dark chocolate or nuts when you get home.

**Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

M.S. Sathyu to inaugurate Abhiyenthararu Theatre Fest in city



M.S. Sathyu

Mysuru, Jan. 29- City-based amateur theatre group 'Abhiyenthararu,' as part of its Silver Jubilee celebrations, has organised a National Theatre Festival in city from Jan.30 to Feb.4.

The Theatre Festival features six plays of different languages, music concert, folk music, State-level Seminar, art, handloom and book exhibitions.

The Festival will be inaugurated by well-known Theatre & Film Director M.S. Sathyu at a function to be organised at Kalamandira on Jan. 30 at 6 pm. National School of Drama (NSD) Director C. Basavalingaiah and Karnataka Nataka Academy Chairman J. Lokesh will be present.

The Art Exhibition will be inaugurated by noted artist P.S. Kumar at Suchitra Art Gallery in the premises on Jan.31 at 10.30 am. The State-level Seminar will be inaugurated by noted Theatre & Film Director Jayatheertha at Maneyangala in Kalamandira on Feb.4 at 10.30 am.

Entry tickets for each play is priced at Rs.100 and Rs. 50 and season tickets are available at Rs. 500 and Rs.250.

For tickets, log on to *www.bookmyshow.com* or contact 99453-55777 or 99022-38443.

SCHEDULE

Jan.30: *'Moog Masala'* (Kannada) by Kriyative India Limited; Playwright: Vaikom Mohammed Bashir; Director: Joseph.

Jan.31: *'Karuppu'* by Indianostrum Theatre, Pondicherry; Written and Directed by Koumarane Valavane.

Feb.1: *'The Women in Me'* by PKS Bengaluru; Written and Directed by Pavan Kumar.

Feb.2: *'Theyya Theyyam'* (Malayalam) by Sopanam Theatre, Thiruvananthapuram; Written and Directed by Kavalam Narayan Panikkar.

Feb.3: *'Huli Hidia Kadasu'* (Kannada) by Drishyakavya, Bengaluru; Written by D.K. Chouta; Directed by Nanjundegowda.

Feb.4: *'Dardpora'* (Hindi) by Abhinav Kalyan, Mumbai. Written by Irfan Mujavar; Directed by Abhijith Zunjarrao.

CULTURAL PROGRAMMES AT KINDARIJOGI (5.30 PM)

Jan.31: Rendition of Dasara Pada and Vachanas by Revanth Malige. **Feb.1:** Folk Concert by Malavalli Mahadevaswamy. **Feb.2:** Mohiniyattam by Mohini Vinayam.

Feb.3: Ranga Geethe by Ramchandra Hadapad.

Really...?

- ***An avocado never ripens on the tree, so farmers can use trees as storage and keep avocados fresh for up to seven months.***
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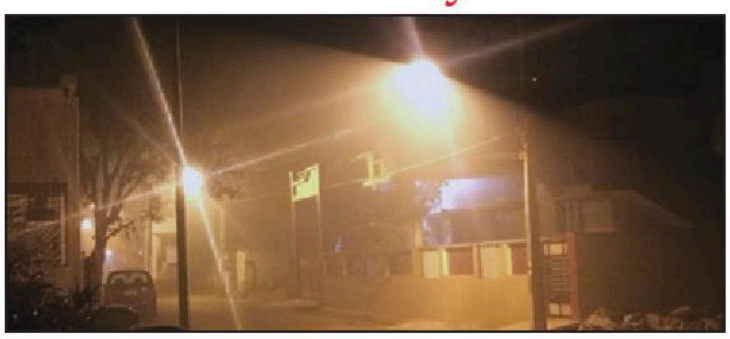

Sir,

On 26th January, around 7.30 pm, a heavy and dense smoke *(see photo)* had engulfed all around the area behind Civil Law Courts where I reside. I went around the Public Prosecutors' Office to locate the source of the unusual thick smoke, but I could not spot the source.

I telephoned the Fire Station, Saraswathipuram, at around 7.50 pm and informed my observations. They promptly took down the necessary particulars and within 5 minutes the Fire Station vehicle reached the area.

After talking to me and the local people near Siddappaji temple Circle at Chamarajapuram Railway Station, they went around to locate the source of the smoke. I understand that inside the Court complex, next to the Court canteen, some waste material, which was dumped, had caught fire and burning, which was put out by the Fire Station staff. Thereafter the smoke subsided and I received a call from Mr.Devaraj (Fire Station staff) at around 8.45 pm to inform me what had happened and whether the smoke had subsided.

I thanked him and his staff for the quick and efficient action taken. If this action was not taken, fire could have spread and caused unimaginable damage. The residents of the area would have suffered the whole night because of the smoke.

Kudos to the quick response and excellent action taken by the Fire Station staff. At the same time, the staff concerned too should exercise caution to prevent such occurrences in future, particularly in sensitive areas like the Court Complex. Public also should play their role in maintaining the status of the city under the Swachh Bharat initiative of our Prime Minister.

—S.G.Siddesh, Chief General Manager (Retd) NABARD
Saraswathipuram
28.1.2018

Blatant violation of noise ban rule

Sir,

I would like to draw the attention of the Department concerned and officials regarding the violation of the rule that bans use of loud intensity crackers and loudspeaker after 10 pm near my residence at Maruti Circle, N.R. Mohalla.

There is rampant use of loudspeaker and sometimes crackers of loud intensity after the stipulated deadline of 10 pm and sometimes even at 12 am and 1 am! This obviously is causing sleepless nights especially to the students and the elderly.

I wonder if these people, who organise the 'programmes' regularly on Saturdays and Sundays, take the required permission from the authorities concerned?

Whatever be the reason, I urge the officials concerned and the Police Department to put an end to this agony of residents by maintaining a strict vigil and take necessary action against such elements.

—An aggrieved resident
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Brand Mysuru: Entries invited to design Logo, Tagline

Mysuru, Jan. 29 (RK&NNN)- Mysuru city has always been a brand right from the time of the rule of the Wadiyars and Mahamta Gandhi himself called the reign of Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar as 'Rama Rajya.' As the inhabitants, business and institutions have a new sense of purpose and direction in the pride of the city, the District Administration with this background, is planning to build a brand for Mysuru.

Addressing a meeting of officials recently, Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep said that they plan to build the brand for Mysuru along the lines of Bengaluru, inviting logo designers to participate in an open competition, which will also include the tagline for Mysuru.

The main aim of creating a Brand Mysuru is to see that it results in a positive impact on investment, job growth, higher returns on investment in real estate, infrastructure and events, he said and added that for the coherent development of the city, the physical, social, economic and cultural aspects must combine to deliver the brand promise. The logo should encompass Mysuru's core values, characteristics, aspirations and truest distinctions and establish insights into the needs of global audience. The winner will be rewarded with Rs. 50,000 cash prize. However, if two separate entries are finalised — one for the logo and another for the tagline — then the prize money shall be divided among the two equally (Rs.25,000 each), said the DC.

The rationale both in Kannada and English should not have more than 50 words and it should describe the concept, theme and symbolic elements and also give a tagline, he said.

The last date for submitting entries is Feb.9 at 5 pm. Each participant can submit only one entry and if any participant or participants submit multiple entries, it will be rejected.

The entries can be submitted only through email to: *logoformysuru@gmail.com.*

For details, contact Deputy Director, Tourism Department, First Floor, Hotel Mayura Hoysala or call Ph: 0821-24422096. For terms and conditions email: *ddtoursimmysore@gmail.com,* **said H. Janardhan, Deputy Director, Tourism Department.**

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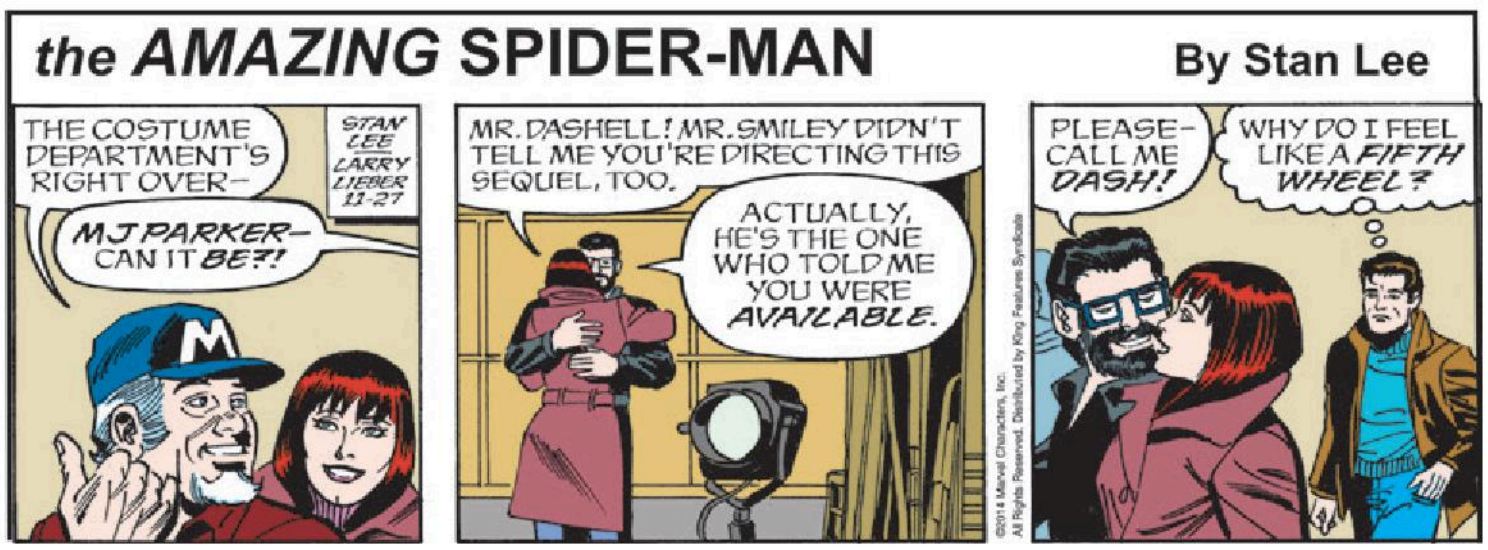
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NEWS BRIEFS

School admission

The office of the BEO, Mysuru South, has invited online applications from students of fifth standard studying in Government, aided, unaided and other private schools in city and district, for admission to Sixth standard in Adarsha Vidyalaya, Jockey Quarters in city. The school is a non-residential English medium School and follows CBSE Curriculum. Last date to apply is Feb. 17 before 5 pm. The admission test will be held at 10.30 am on Mar. 11. Website: www.schooleducation.kar.nic.in or www.vidyavahini.karnataka.gov.in. For details, call Ph: 0821-2334666.

Health camp

Narayana Multi-speciality Hospital has organised a free Prostate screening camp at its premises CAH/1, 3rd Phase, Devanur, Mysuru on Jan.30 and 31 from 10 am to 3pm. For details, contact Mob: 95380-52378.

Applications invited

The Department of Pre-University Education has invited applications from Private Educational Institutions and Trusts willing to start PU Colleges from the academic year 2018-19. The application form can be downloaded from the department website: www.pue.kar.nic.in. Last date for applying is Jan. 31. For details, call Ph: 0821-2440371 or Mob: 94805-77677.

Sarvodaya Day at Gandhi Bhavan

Centre for Gandhian Studies and DoS in Social Work, Manasagangothri, have jointly organised a programme at Gandhi Bhavan, Manasagangothri, tomorrow (Jan. 30) at 10.30 am to mark 70th Sarvodaya Day. Retd. VC of Goa and Mangalore Universities Prof. B. Sheik Ali will be the chief guest. UoM in-Charge VC Prof. C. Basavaraju will preside.

Religious meet

Marking Theppotsava at Sri Mallikarjuna Jathra Mahotsava underway at Mudukuthore, a religious meet has been organised tomorrow at 6 pm at Suttur Sri Nadu Mutt. Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji will grace the occasion.

Excels in drawing

Prathik Raj, a 9th std student of Rotary Brindavan School in city who exhibited his painting at Dasara Exhibition was awarded the first place by Women and Child Welfare Department.

Shanti homa

As part of Lunar eclipse, Shanti homa has been organised on Feb. 1 at 7am at Sri Panchamukhi Anjaneyaswamy temple in city. For details, call Ph: 93421-12477.

Siddaganga, Suttur Seers should break silence on Lingayat row: Prof. Champa

Prof. Champa

Mysuru, Jan. 29 - Urging Siddaganga Mutt Seer Dr. Sri Shivakumara Swamiji and Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji to break their silence and make their stand clear on the demand for separate community status to Lingayats, writer Prof. Chandrashekar Patil, popularly known as Champa, has said it was not right on the part of the Seers to keep mum.

He was addressing the gathering during a talk on 'Lingayat — An independent religion' organised by Lingayat Cultural Committee at Nataraja Women's College in city on Sunday.

Observing that the Seers should break their silence and extend support to the ongoing struggle conforming with the principles of the 12th century social reformer Basavanna, Champa asked the Seers of Panchapeetha to take part in the movement instead of distancing themselves from the same. All Mutts, irrespective of Virakta and others, should come together for the cause, he added.

Tracing the genesis of Lingayats, Prof. Champa said that it was due to the conspiracy hatched by conservative forces that 'Lingayat' is camouflaged by 'Veerashaiva.'

Noting that Lingayat is not a part of Hindu religion as it was founded as a separate religion that later grew into a bigger community, he said that, however, attempts are being made in the 21st century to trace the roots of the religion that originated in the 12th century.

Former bureaucrat Shivanand M. Jamdar, also the Convenor of Lingayat Swatantra Dharma Vedike, said that some Mutts in Mysuru region still use the word 'Veerashaiva' in their parlance.

Quoting a population census report of the erstwhile princely Mysore State where Lingayats were listed as 'Shudras,' Jamdar said prior to that Lingayat was a separate religion till 1881.

No sooner the census report was out, many books and journals were published only to create a negative campaign against Lingayats, he said and added that the life and times of revolutionary Saint Basavanna were also portrayed in bad light.

Former Philosophy Professor Dr. N.G. Mahadevappa and another former Professor Dr. Veeranna Rajguru too spoke.

Hosamutt Seer Sri Chidananda Swamiji, Dayananda Swamiji, Lingayat Cultural Committee President L. Shivalingappa and others were present on the occasion.

Swamijis and dignitaries offering floral tributes to the statue of Basavanna at a programme in city yesterday.

Three-Day Mega Muslim Convention Concludes

City, outskirts witness heavy traffic congestions, traffic jams

Heavy traffic on Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway near Columbia Asia Hospital here yesterday.

Mysuru, Jan. 29 (YDS&KS)- With the three-day All India Mushavarathi Ijtema (Convention) held at Adakanahalli Industrial Area, near Kadakola in Nanjangud taluk coming to an end yesterday in which nearly eight lakh Muslim brethren from across the country and abroad took part and left for their respective places, the city witnessed heavy traffic congestion since afternoon with traffic jams on all major roads in the city outskirts including the Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway.

Yesterday being Sunday and with majority of the participants of the convention arriving in city to visit tourist spots such as the Mysuru Zoo, Palace, Chamundi Hill, Ranganathittu Birds Sanctuary, KRS etc., heavy traffic was witnessed in city.

There was bumper-to-bumper traffic on Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway as traffic crawled at a snail's pace due to large number of vehicles of the participants and also of tourists who had taken short trips to Mysuru, Kodagu, Bandipur and other places were returning to their respective places. This also resulted in massive traffic jam on the highway doubling the travel time between Mysuru and Bengaluru. Additional Traffic Police personnel were deployed on all major roads to man the traffic.

Heavy rush was witnessed at Bus Stand and Railway Station as Muslim brethren left for their places. Traffic signals on roads which witnessed traffic jams were switched off and Police were seen diverting traffic for smooth movement of vehicles.

Obituary

T.M. Daniel

Mysuru, Jan. 29 - T.M. Daniel (68), Founder of Daniel School, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife, a son, daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral was held at the Christian Cemetery on Mysuru-Bengaluru Road here today, according to family sources.

Umer Farooq Sait Kushali

Umer Farooq Sait Kushali (54), Proprietor of Jeelani Textiles at Meena Bazar on Sawday Road here, passed away last evening at a private hospital in Bengaluru following brief illness.

He leaves behind his wife, two sons, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza will be held at Masjid-e-Azam on Ashoka Road here at 5 pm today followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Ground, near Tipu Circle.

Tank Conservation Member demands more money in Budget

Mysuru, Jan.29 (NNN)- The non-official Member of Karnataka Tank Conservation and Development Authority (KTCDA) Dr. K.M. Jayaramaiah has demanded that for the all-round development of tanks in the State, role of the KTDCA is primary. Hence any work taken up by any department should first be brought to its notice and similarly, in the coming Budget, more funds earmarked for the Authority.

In a letter to Chief Minister Siddharamaiah dated Jan.23, Dr. Jayaramaiah has stated that the surrounding areas of the pond, tank bunds and tubewells, all come under irrigated regions. In case if any department wants to start the work related to the ponds, it should first compulsorily bring it to the notice of KTDCA.

"The reason is because the development of the ponds and lakes should happen according to the requirements. But what we have noticed is that many a times the work on development of the ponds have been taken up even though it is not required and thus the money is wasted on such projects," he has stated.

He has pointed out that Jala Samvardhane Yojana Sangha (JSYS) is already merged into KTDCA in October 2017 and even the Lake Development Authority (LDA) will be merged shortly, thus enabling the KTDCA to take up the development works of all the ponds in the State.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Dr. Jayaramaiah, who is also the Convenor of Kukkarahalli Lake Protection Committee, said, "If we take the example of Lingambudhi Lake, it comes under the Forest Department. Now, there is a problem here of drainage water in the lake due to faulty valve system.

When we bring it to the notice of the Department, they keep giving excuses that they will set it right. But they do not have any idea about it as their job is to plant trees. Hence, this lake should be brought under KTDCA for maintenance."

According to Dr. Jayaramaiah, he had brought all these issues to the notice of the KTDCA Chairman T.B. Jayachandra (Minister for Law, Parliamentary Affairs, Animal Husbandry and Muzrai) at a meeting held on Jan.12 in Bengaluru. He briefed him saying that if farm ponds (Krishi Hondas) are under Agriculture Department it would be alright, but not other tanks and lakes, which come under Departments like Rural Development, Forest, Bengaluru Development Authority, Mysuru Urban Development Authority, Bangalore Bruhat Mahanagara Palike and various other Departments, as they do not have expertise in maintaining the tanks.

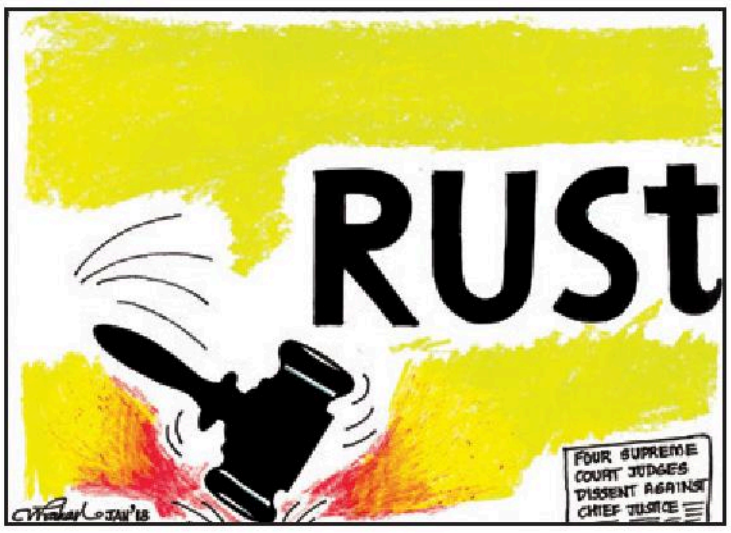
"I told Chairman Jayachandra that there are many instances where bills have been submitted and money withdrawn for such works without anything happening," he said.

In another letter dated Jan.24 to the Chief Minister, he has urged him to direct the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) Commissioner to create small pits next to the ponds, kalyanis and gardens, cover it with meshes to conserve rainwater. "This will help recharge groundwater," he has said.

Photo Exhibition on 'Kukkarahalli Lake Biodiversity' concludes

The three-day photo exhibition on 'Kukkarahalli Lake Biodiversity,' organised by Kukkarahalli Kere Ulisi Samithi at 'Chai Patthe' on Vishwamanava Double Road in Saraswathipuram, concluded yesterday with a talk on 'Kukkarahalli Lake Conservation' by Prof. U.N. Ravikumar.

TEASER By N. Prakash



Three injured in accident involving Union Minister's motorcade

Bengaluru, Jan.29- Three persons suffered injuries when Union Minister Anant Kumar Hegde's motorcade met with a minor accident around 5 pm near Savakahalli Gate on the outskirts of Bengaluru yesterday.

Anant Kumar

The Minister was travelling from Tumakuru to Devanahalli Airport here.

Police said that the Minister's escort vehicle slowed down when a monkey crossed the road, when an Innova car which was following the Minister's convoy hit one of the escort vehicles resulting in injuries to three persons.

The Police have booked a case of negligent driving against the driver of the Innova car.

Railway line via Kodagu

Massive protest in Mysuru on Feb.18

Gonikoppa (Kodagu), Jan.29- Strongly condemning the Mysuru-Thalassery railway line passing through Kodagu, the Railu Marga Virodhi Samiti will stage a massive demonstration in front of the office of the South Western Railway in Mysuru on Feb.18.

Addressing a meeting at Ponnampet Kodava Samaja building on Saturday, Samiti Convenor Col. Muthanna said that the implementation of the Railway project will destroy the rich vegetation and forest wealth of Kodagu, besides posing a grave threat to Cauvery river and the eco-system.

Maintaining that elected representatives of Kerala were exerting pressure on the Centre to implement the Railway project, he said that the project will be an ecological disaster and as such, the people of Kodagu should brace themselves for launching a massive movement to stall the railway line. He said that the Samiti was discussing the legal options too for stalling the railway line.

Ponnampet Kodava Samaja President Rajiv Bopaiah, in his address, alleged that people of Kodagu were being misled, with the authorities assuring on higher coffee and pepper prices. Strongly opposing the project, he declared that Ponnampet Kodava Samaja will spearhead the Movement against the Railway line.

Samiti's Machimada Ravindra said that the people of Kodagu have learnt a lot from the agitation against High Tension power line.

Calling upon the people to oppose any project that destroys the ecological balance of the district, he said that the railway line was more harmful than its usefulness.

Underlining the need to take up projects that are only development-oriented, he alleged that the Kerala Lobby had exerted pressure on the Centre to implement the project.

UCO Convenor Kokkalemada Manju alleged that the Kerala Govt. was exerting pressure on the Centre to execute Mysuru-Thalassery Railway line only to meet its selfish ends and to destroy the rich natural wealth of Kodagu. He called upon the people to be wary of the designs to mislead the people by giving false assurances on the project.

Vaastu-Feng Shui & Bio-energetics

By S.B.S.Surendran
Accredited Master Feng Shui Consultant

Focus on positivity

To create good relationships shift your focus, thinking and actions to how good your relationships are or will be; not how bad they are as you tend to empower the negative aspects

Staying focus on whatever one attempts to do is often not quite easy as they could tend to get distracted, bored and run out of energy, eventually the task remains either incomplete or shabbily done.

There are many ways to keep focus, be intelligent, genuinely productive and really nourishing by boosting the energy levels high while aiming to achieve the desired goals. However, for this, one has to become more aware of the factors that lower the energy, focus on finding ways to change the situations that cause that stress.

Good Feng Shui can help in many ways be it relationship, career or health. It could even be of a great support to children to achieve good exam results. Feng Shui can also help to clear any obstacles in the life or dissolve quarrels, thereby paving the path for increased wealth, health and happiness.

Supportive or beneficial energy (or 'Chi') is essential for a harmonious life to ensure that things go well and dreams can come true. As with everything else in life, it all depends on the attitude of the individual, as well as on what the person would focus upon.

The focus on health, well-being, high energy levels, and genuine productivity will bring much better and quicker results than the focus on fighting against negative energy or factors that lower our energy levels.

Often what we fight against becomes stronger as we tend to give it more importance and in turn energy by constantly focusing on it.

It is more important to identify the problem areas which are often the major cause for any difficulties in the life one might be facing. It is important that all areas need to be in sync to create positive energy and thereby good Feng Shui.

Feng Shui has many definitions, some formal and some not, in short it's all about the use of positive energy to bring about a desired result. However, if your home or office is 'toxic,' the first thing you should focus is to dissolve the toxic effect of negativity and restore balance.

When we shift or enhance the energy of a living space, that energy then supports us to attain our goals and dreams. If a living space is cluttered and messy, that is the energy working through one's life.

• Place a healthy green upward reaching plant in the east sector of your home, especially living and family areas. This will focus energy on healthy new beginnings and new relationships between the occupants and outside world.

• Crystal remedies in combination with the home's natural energy patterns are one way to assist to focus on the set goals. This works because you're using natural energy coming from the land to bring in what you want hence crystals are quite powerful.

• To create good relationships shift your focus, thinking and actions to how good your relationships are or will be; not how bad they are as you tend to empower the negative aspects.

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Medicine update conference held in city

From left: ***Dr. H. Basavanagowdappa - Hon. Secretary, Mysore Physicians Medical & Research Trust (MPMRT), Dr. B.J. Subhashchandra - HoD of Medicine, JSS Hospital, Dr. M. Premanath - Senior Physician, Dr. B. Manjunath - Registrar, JSS University, Dr. M. Srinivasa - Treasurer, Dr. C.D. Sreenivasa Murthy - Chairman, MPMRT, Dr. C.G. Betsurmath - Executive Secretary, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, Mysuru, Dr. Vasudeva Naik - HoD of Medicine, AIMS - Bellur, Dr. A.G. Ravishankar - HoD of Medicine, MMC&RI, Dr. M. Guruswamy - Medical Superintendent, JSS Hospital, and Dr. M. Suresh Babu - Joint Secretary, MPMRT, at the inauguration of the Annual Medicine Update conducted by MPMRT at Sri Rajendra Centenary Auditorium, JSS Hospital.***

Mysuru, Jan.29- In the era of rapid advances in Medicine, keeping track of changing guidelines and newer protocols is only possible by active participation in such update programme with significant biomedical advances, said Executive Secretary of JSS Mahavidyapeetha, Dr. C.G. Betsurmath. He was speaking after inaugurating the Annual Medicine Update conducted by Mysore Physicians Medical & Research Trust (MPMRT) recently at Sri Rajendra Centenary Auditorium, JSS Hospital.

Appreciating the good work done by the Trust, he said the organisers of this Medicine update have chosen topics to enrich the clinical problem-solving approach with live case examples. The programme will definitely help the participants in a great manner, he added.

BACKGROUND

The Trust was created out of savings from State Physicians' Conference, held in 2003 at Mysuru. This organisation has been conducting annual academic for the benefit of PG students in Medicine and young physicians for enhancing their clinical skills and knowledge.

The programme contains seven orations and several clinical problem-solving sessions. Senior faculty from various institutions will be participating to impart the knowledge of internal Medicine. The Trust has been conducting these programmes for last 13 years. The Trust also conducts midterm Cardio-Nephrology updates every year. The quiz programme in General Medicine is also conducted every year for interns from various colleges of the State with prize money of 15 thousand rupees.

'Helping Hands' donates cradles to Cheluvamba Hospital

Mysuru, Jan. 29- Helping Hands under its Health Project, donated six cradles to K.R. Hospital Children's ward (Cheluvamba ward) OBG Department.

Lauding the efforts of Helping Hands, MMC&RI Chief Administrator Officer B.G. Indiramma said that these cradles would be useful to babies born to sick and ailing mothers who cannot keep the babies next to them.

Secretary of Helping Hands Anand Patwa focused on the various activities of organisation and thanked Bohra family for sponsoring the cradles.

HoD - Paediatrics Dr. Sudha Rudrappa, Associate Professor Dr. Rajendra Kumar, Dr. Nagendra, Dr. Hamsa, Matron Sarojamma, Nurses Latha, Nayana and Sakamma, were present on this occasion.

President of Helping Hands Mahaveer Khabiya, Treasurer Rajan Baghmar, Trustees Rajesh Patwa Manoj Surana, Naman Singhvi, Members Manoharlal Sankla, Jambu Lodha, Dharamchand Mutha, Sampath Baghmar, Prakash Gandhi, Gouthamji Patwa and Suresh Bhora were also present.

First place in Box Cricket

Cricket Team of Kautilya First Grade College, Vijayanagar, managed by Sapient Education Trust, won first place in Box Cricket beating ATME team at the Inter-Collegiate Cricket Tournament conducted by SDM-IMD recently. Seen in the picture are M. Akash, S.S. Sumanth, Shamanth Nanda, Abhishek Padiyar, Gaurav Patla, Shahshank Simha and Utham Aiyappa (Captain).

RamaGovinda Awards presented

Alva's Shikshana Pratishtana stages play 'Mahamaayi'

Govinda Rao *Ramabai*

Awardees** — (sitting from left) **K.V. Akshara, Shridar Bhat and Narayan Bhat of NINASAM, Kamegowda and Godavari Dange— are seen with** (standing from left) **M. Jayaram Patil, Dr. M. Jagannatha Shenoi, Kusuma Shenoi, former Kannada Development Authority Chairman Mukhyamantri Chandru, M. Gopinath Shenoi, Savithri Shenoi and Vasumathi Shenoi.

Mysuru, Jan.29 (YDS&NNN)- Recognising the contributions of a theatre group and two individuals to the society, the Smt. D. Ramabai Charitable Foundation and Sri. M. Gopinath Shenoi Charitable Trust had organised the RamaGovinda Puraskara-2018 (award) function at Kalamandira here yesterday.

NINASAM (Sri Nilakanteshwara Natyaseva Sangha), a cultural organisation, located in the village of Heggodu in Sagar taluk at Shivamogga district, is an organisation dedicated to the dissemination of theatre and culture started by renowned dramatist and Magsaysay award winner K.V. Subbanna. The other two are **Godavari Dange,** a social worker from Osmanabad, Tuljapur taluk in Marathwada and **Kamegowda,** a shepherd from Malavalli in Mandya district, who were recognised for the awards. While Rs.5 lakh prize money and RamaGovinda award was presented to NINASAM (received by K.V. Akshara - son of K.V. Subbanna, President Shridar Bhat and Narayan Bhat), Rs.3 lakh and the award was presented to Dange and Kamegowda.

Earlier, former Kannada Development Authority Chairman and senior artiste Mukhyamantri Chandru, speaking after inaugurating the programme, said that instead of honouring the celebrities, people who have worked for the society should be recognised. Hence, recognising the three people for their contribution to the society especially in the present troubled times is really noteworthy, he added.

When Maharashtra's Godavari Dange worked among the people, her language was not a barrier and therefore in this vast country with diverse languages and culture, we should all learn to live harmoniously. Even the politicians should learn from this, he said.

In NINASAM, national and international plays are staged. A play is like a mirror, which reflects our faults and strengths and reaches both the literate and illiterates. K.V. Akshara spends 300 days of the year in theatre. NINASAM is one of the main reasons for the theatre to be alive today and this is the time for reflection, said Chandru.

ABOUT AWARDEES

Kamegowda is a shepherd herding sheep at the foothill of Malavalli and has personally constructed eight lakes thus providing water to animals and birds and helping in the preservation of flora and fauna.

Godavari Dange is a leader, a social worker who has worked tirelessly facing off the famine that comes year after year, saving land, water, jungle, animals and people.

The Trust's M. Ramanath Shenoi, M. Jagannatha Shenoi and M. Gopinatha Shenoi were present. After the programme, the play Mahamaayi by playwright Dr. Chandrashekara Kambara and designed and directed by Jeevan Ram Sulia was presented by Alva's Shikshana Pratishtana, Moodbidri.

Scenes from the play 'Mahamaayi' staged by Alva's Shikshana Pratishtana, Moodbidri, at Kalamandira in city yesterday.

Chandan Shetty wins

Bigg Boss Kannada Season-5

Bengaluru, Jan.29- Kannada rapper, lyricist and playback singer Chandan Shetty was crowned as the winner of Bigg Boss Kannada Season-5, by host Kichcha Sudeep last night. He got a trophy and cash prize of Rs.50 lakh, by defeating Diwakar, who entered the house under common man category, became the second runner-up. Jayaram Karthik secured third place.

After Chandan was declared as the winner, he handed over the trophy to his parents. Chandan thanked music director Arjun Janya who identified the talent in him, his friends who supported him during his difficult days and people who voted for him.

Chandan Shetty who hails from Sakleshpur is popular for songs like Halagode, 3 peg and Tequila.

Workshop on 'Preparation for UPSC exam' concludes

Mysuru, Jan.29 (MTY&US)- The two-day workshop on 'Preparation for UPSC exam,' organised by the Department of Public Administration, University of Mysore (UoM), at Humanities Block in Manasagangothri here concludes today.

Inaugurating the programme yesterday, DC D. Randeep asked the students to select the right subject and field before facing the competitive exam. He opined that a dedicated study for two years would suffice to get through the exam. He contended that facing the exam while in a job was a bit tough proposition as needed time cannot be devoted for preparation.

Continuing, Randeep said that the preliminary exam should also be viewed seriously like the main examination. He advised students to shun inferiority complex and interact with achievers to develop confidence. Hundreds of students participated in the workshop. UoM Registrar D. Bharathi, HoD of Public Administration Prof. Dayanand Mane and others were present.

Trin Trin rates revised

Revised fee from Feb.1; dedicated bicycle lane; cycle lanes and walking path soon

Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep chairing a meeting to discuss about the revised fares for Trin Trin bicycles at the DC's Office premises in city this morning.

Mysuru, Jan.29 (RK&NNN)- After the successful launch of the first public bicycle sharing system in the country, on June 4, 2017, the District Administration and Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) have decided to make changes in the usage fees and membership plan, which will come into effect from Feb.1.

According to the revised usage fee tariff, unlimited free rides up to 30 minutes only will be provided to the Trin Trin members, unlike in the past where the members could ride the bicycles free for one hour.

This decision was taken at a meeting chaired by Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep this morning at his office.

Addressing the Media after the meeting, he said that it was found that the number of usages had reduced as the people who took the bicycles for free rides had increased and as a result the number of bicycles in the docking stations for those who wanted to take it on long rides had decreased.

The following is the new fare plan: For the first 30 minutes it is free. From 30 minutes to one hour it is Rs.5 (except first free ride up to 60 minutes). The fare has gone up from Rs.10 to Rs.15 for one to two hours, from Rs. 15 to Rs.35 between two and three hours, Rs. 25 to Rs.65 between three to four hours and Rs.50 to Rs.95 from four to six hours.

Though there is a steep hike in the fee from one hour to six hours, the hike from six hours to more than 12 hours in fact has not only been marginal but also reduced. The revised fee for six to eight hours is Rs.120 from a previous fee of Rs.100, while it has been reduced by Rs. five for the other two slabs. Hence it has come down from the existing Rs.150 to Rs. 145 for rides from eight to 12 hours and from Rs. 250 to Rs. 245 for greater than 12 hours.

The DC also disclosed that there will be dockless stations where the bicycles riders can leave the bicycles and lock them using the mobile phone using GPS Remote control that will be provided to the members.

Since Mysuru is touted as a cycle-friendly city, there are going to be dedicated bicycle lanes on KRS Road and JLB Road and cycle lanes and walking paths on seven roads that include Old Bengaluru Road, Mysuru-Bengaluru Road, Vishwamanava Double Road, Bogadi Road, Krishnaraja Boulevard Road, JLB Road and New Kantharaj Urs Road, he said.

There are also plans to introduce electric bicycles for the elderly as a pilot project. "The technical committee has approved the condition and maintenance of the Trin Trin bicycles," said Delta Company's Project Manager H.S. Mahesh.

The public has requested for additional docking stations in 19 places in the city and an additional 13 locations have been proposed in Phase-1, said Randeep.

Mysuru-Bengaluru Bar Assn. members hold meeting

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They also held discussions whether the incident was deliberately done and the part of advocate Gokul Govardhan and SI Yellalinga in the incident. Sources also said that, while the group of senior advocates and their Bengaluru counterparts were holding discussions to submit a memorandum to the Deputy Commissioner seeking action, a group of junior advocates were discussing to take out a protest march from the Court premises to City Police Commissioner's office and submit a memorandum to the Police Chief seeking suspension of SI Yellalinga.

Meanwhile, following the call by the advocates of a massive protest rally to be taken out today in city, Police security has been provided near the Court and DC office which is led by Saraswathipuram Inspector Nagegowda, Ashokapuram Inspector Omkarappa and Lakshmipuram Inspector Raghu, which is being supervised by KR Sub-Division ACP Dharmappa.

At the meeting, which was led by Mysuru Bar Association President C.V. Ramamurthy and Bengaluru Bar Association President Shivamurthy, in which Mysuru Bar Association Vice-President Prabhu, Secretary Suresh, Treasurer Prasanna and others were present, **it was decided to submit a memorandum to City Police Commissioner Dr. A. Subrahmanyeswara Rao by going on a bike rally.**

About 50 advocates went on a bike rally to the City Police Chief's office, when we went to the Press.

It may be recalled that following the assault incident on Jan.21, the advocates had staged a protest in front of Nazarbad Police Station on Jan.22. They had also boycotted Courts proceedings on Jan.23, 24 and 25 and had staged protests in front of the Court complex seeking suspension of SI Yellalinga, who has been transferred to another Police Station.

Tuskers destroy huts at Hunsur tribal hamlet

Hunsur, Jan.29 (Mahesh&KS)- Two tuskers, which appeared all of a sudden at Chikkahejjur Tribal Hamlet in Veeranahosahalli Forest Range, have destroyed huts, cowshed and toilets at about 6 am today.

Kusaiah, a tribal, was tying his cattle at about 6 am today, when two tuskers appeared all of a sudden near the hamlet. He soon informed his children who were nearby who managed to escape. The cattle, which saw the tuskers, managed to free themselves and flee from the spot.

The two tuskers then entered the hamlet and destroyed the huts, cowshed and toilets belonging to Kusaiah before returning to the forest.

Meanwhile, eyewitnesses said that one of the tusker managed to jump the 3ft. high railway barricade put up by the Forest Department and entered the forest, while the other tusker managed to enter the forest after passing the check-post. Luckily, no injuries or loss of life was reported.

Concerned over their safety, the residents of Chikkahejjur Tribal Hamlet have urged the Forest Department authorities to increase the height of the railway barricades put up to prevent elephants from entering the hamlets and to take other precautionary measures for their safety.

Wife of TV Channel reporter lodges complaint against woman PSI for threatening her husband

Mysuru, Jan.29 (ACP)- The wife of a reporter of a private TV News Channel has lodged a complaint with the Kuvempunagar Police on Sunday, 28th January, 2018 accusing a woman Police Sub-Inspector (PSI) of harassing her husband to marry her and also threatening him with her service revolver.

Geetha, wife of TV reporter Ram, in her complaint has made the charges against woman PSI Yasmin Taj, who is serving at the IGP (Southern Range) office in city.

In her complaint, Geetha said that her husband Ram came into contact with PSI Yasmin Taj three years ago, following which the PSI used to visit her (Geetha) home frequently. During the course of her visit, Taj cajoled her husband into a secret relationship with her and even pressed him to marry her. But her husband Ram refused to do so, following which Yasmin Taj cooked up stories in order to shame her husband.

In July 2015, Yasmin Taj accompanied by a man visited her house and threatened her (Geetha) and her husband Ram with her service revolver, besides, asking her husband to convert to Islam and marry her. The woman PSI also threatened to defame her and Ram and also demanded Rs.20 lakh from Ram, Geetha alleged.

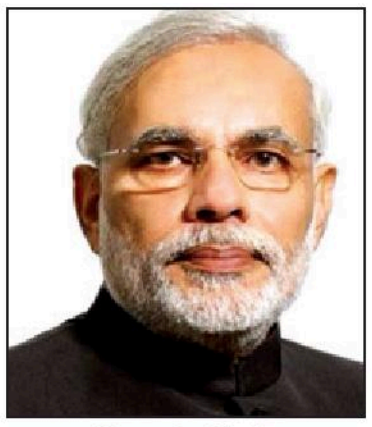
Ram went to Hunsur on the morning of Jan.27, 2018 to cover an event and Ram called her at 7.49 pm in the evening saying that he would return to Mysuru soon. But Ram again called her at 10.38 pm to inform that PSI Yasmin Taj was harassing him. Later, she tried to call Ram once again but could not contact him as his cell phone was switched off.

Her husband Ram may have switched off his cell phone because of the threat posed by the woman PSI, Geetha said in her complaint.

Following the complaint, Kuvempunagar Police have registered a case (Cr. No. 10/2018) under Sections 506 and 384 of the IPC.

PM refers to Mysurean's letter on 'Mann Ki Baat'

M.A. Darshan wrote to Modi about 'Pradhan Mantri Jan Aushadhi Yojana' benefit via *MyGov* app



Narendra Modi

M.A. Darshan

"Though PMJAY was introduced quite some time back, I came to know that cheaper generic medicines are available in Jan Aushad shops only now. If a techie like me who is on the internet all the time is not aware, imagine the plight of those who do not know anything. Hence, I took a chance and wrote to our Prime Minister." — Darshan

Mysuru, Jan. 29 (RK&NNN)- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has lauded Mysuru's M.A. Darshan for recognising the 'Pradhan Mantri Jan Aushadhi Yojana' (PMJAY) which has helped him (Darshan) reduce the expenses on buying the medicines for his father by nearly 75 per cent.

The PM mentioned the Mysurean's name in the monthly *'Mann Ki Baat'* programme on All India Radio (AIR), in the 40th episode and first for the year 2018, yesterday (Jan.28). He said that Darshan from Mysuru wrote to him through *MyGov* app about his father's treatment because of which he was undergoing an expenditure of Rs. 6,000 per month on medicines.

"Darshan was not aware of 'Pradhan Mantri Jan Aushadhi Yojana'. But now he has begun purchasing medicines under this scheme and his expenses have been reduced by 75 per cent. He has expressed his wish that I mention this here so that it reaches the maximum number of people and they can benefit as well," Prime Minister Modi said.

"With over 3,000 Jan Aushadhi Centres under PMJAY, medicines are available at 50 per cent to 90 per cent cheaper than branded drugs available in the market. This is making healthcare affordable and encouraging 'Ease of Living'," Modi stated.

The medicines certified by the World Health Organisation (WHO) are only being sold at these centres. Hence, only quality medicines are available at affordable cost.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* here this morning, Darshan, who is working at Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) in Bengaluru, said that though he is a techie, he had not known the benefits of PMJAY and came to know about it only by chance in the beginning of this year.

"I was taking my child to get the polio vaccine administered when I noticed a big queue in front of a shop where people were buying medicines. I asked a person what this was about and he told about PMJAY. Then I went and Googled for the details and found that generic medicines were really cheap, safe and approved by WHO. So, my expenses for the medicines came down from Rs. 6,000 to about Rs.1,500 a month," he said.

He said that since he had listened to the Prime Minister's *Mann Ki Baat* programme a couple of times, he would share this information with the PM. "I wrote to the PM just about ten days back and was surprised to hear the PM mentioning my name yesterday. Though PMJAY was introduced quite some time back I came to know that cheaper generic medicines are available in Jan Aushad shops only now. If a techie like me who is on the internet all the time is not aware, imagine the plight of those who do not know anything. Hence, I took a chance and wrote to our Prime Minister," he said.

Darshan's father M.A. Purushotham is a priest, who had suffered a stroke in 2010. "Since the past seven years my medical expenses per month was Rs.6,000," he said.

Meanwhile, former Minister S.A. Ramdas, in a press release, has stated that more than 14 lakh people in the city have been benefited by buying Rs.11 crore worth generic medicines.

"When I was the Medical Education Minister eight centres had been opened. Today there are more than 240 outlets in the State and 31 in Mysuru District. I, in my personal capacity, have encouraged youths both men and women to open 51 centres in the State and 27 centres in Mysuru itself," he has claimed in the release.

Another Mysurean

It may be recalled that another Mysurean Santosh's name was also mentioned by PM Modi in the 29th *Mann Ki Baat* programme. Santosh was the winner in the Lucky Grahak Yojana Scheme, introduced to promote cashless digital payments, where 15,000 people based on lucky draws are rewarded daily.

As a good Samaritan, Santosh had donated Rs.1,000 cash prize to a woman named Bhagyamma of Kumbarakoppal who lost her house due to a gas leak.

SP launches coaching camp for UPSC examination

Mysuru, Jan. 29 (US&SPN)- An 8-month long free coaching camp for aspirants of UPSC examinations organised by District Administration and Navo-Pramathi School of Civil Services was inaugurated by SP Ravi D. Channannavar at the SP office auditorium here yesterday.

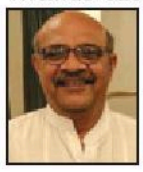
Speaking on the occasion, Ravi Channannavar said that people usually refer to posts of IAS and IPS officers as plum positions. However, he contended that people with good intelligence and a will to work with the common people normally fit in well for IAS and IPS posts.

Going nostalgic, the SP said "While I was undergoing training for IPS competitive examination in Hyderabad, it was very difficult for me to comprehend Science and Technology. However the teachers were impressed by my enthusiasm to learn and their encouragement helped me to get through the examination".

Pramathi Hill View Academy General Secretary H.V. Rajeev, Assistant SP Arunamshu Giri, Academy Principal C.S. Sudarshan, convenor B.S. Ravishankar, Navodaya Foundation Secretary Dr. S.R. Ravi and others were present.

Obituary

Mohan Thomas Jacob



Mysuru, Jan. 29- Mohan Thomas Jacob (69), a resident of #140/4, Skytop Green City Main Road, Karakanahalli, Yelwal (Cherukotton Chethekal family, Cherukol Kozhencherry) passed away on Jan. 28.

He leaves behind his mother Mary Jacob, wife Asha Thomas and children are Canny, Cinny, Cindy. Funeral service will begin at the residence at 9.30 am tomorrow followed by MTC, Mysuru at 11 am and Benson Cemetery at 12 noon. [Contact: 0821-2970933 or 9880671425].

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Indira Canteens: DC Conducts Reality Check

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Continuing, the DC said it was also found that the demand for dinner in some of the places has reduced and as a result the food is wasted. "I suggested to them not to waste and instead transport the food to other canteens where there is a demand. Besides, idlis are still not on the menu. There is no weighing machines kept in the canteens but there is provision that if someone has a doubt about the quantity of food served one can check it on the weighing machine. All these issues have to be sorted out," he added.

Randeep said that he had asked the Assistant Commissioners to do random checks and give the audit report by Feb.12.

He asked the contractor to resolve all the problems including the taste of the food and warned that if he fails, the firm would be blacklisted.

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Articulate Fest: A well-spent Sunday

Patrons of Articulate Festival of Indian classical dance has religiously been dating, on every 3rd Sunday of the month, at the Premier Convention Centre, Premier Studios and on 21st January 2018, was the 20th occasion to savour Dance concert. Right from the moment the stage lits up, its pure entertainment sans guests, speeches, felicitations, release of souvenirs, etc. etc., As usual four artistes were lined up to share their respective art forms. The hall was already charged with spiritual fervour.

Bharatanatyam dancer, **Rashmi Thaper** invoked Ardhanareeshwara in her invocatory number that was set to raga Kumuda Kriya, Rupak Tala. The Muthuswamy Dikshitar's composition on the duel gender principle of Shiva-Shakthi settled the audiance into a receptive mood of cultural arts. The number "Enu Bedali Hanuma Bhakuthi Ondanu Horethu", extolled Hanuman who served ardently Lord Rama. The sequence of bringing Sanjeevini was beautifully enacted. Through The composition in Gorak Kalyan raga and Aditala, Rashmi gave a feel of Hanuman's presence wherever leelas of Rama is meditated upon. Rashmi Thapar concluded with a Devi stuthi penned by Rashtra Kavi Kuvempu in shubha panthuvarali Raga and adi tala where she gave a perfect balance between benevolence and fury of the Mother Goddess.

In the second segment, **Kavita Thirumalai** of USA commenced her performance in Bharatanatyam with a traditional Pushpanjali in Gambheera natai, Khanda chapu tala composed by D. Srivatsa. "Anandamritakarshini" a Muthuswamy Dikshitar's composition in Amritavarshini raga and Adi Tala followed. Kavitha's postures, stances and her gait was ethereal reflecting the sublime nature of the Goddess, the Nrutta that was interspersed did not upset the balance but only enhanced the object of her devotion. A Devaranama Gummana Kareyadire Amma of Haridasa Sri Purandara Dasa in Ragamalike saw the young Krishna pleading his mother not to call the monster and he will obey her and not be naughty as the gopis complained. The feigned innocence of Krishna unfolded in Kavithas portrayal of the naughty Lord before she ended her recital with a vibrant tillana on Rama in Sumanesha Ranjani raga and adi tala.

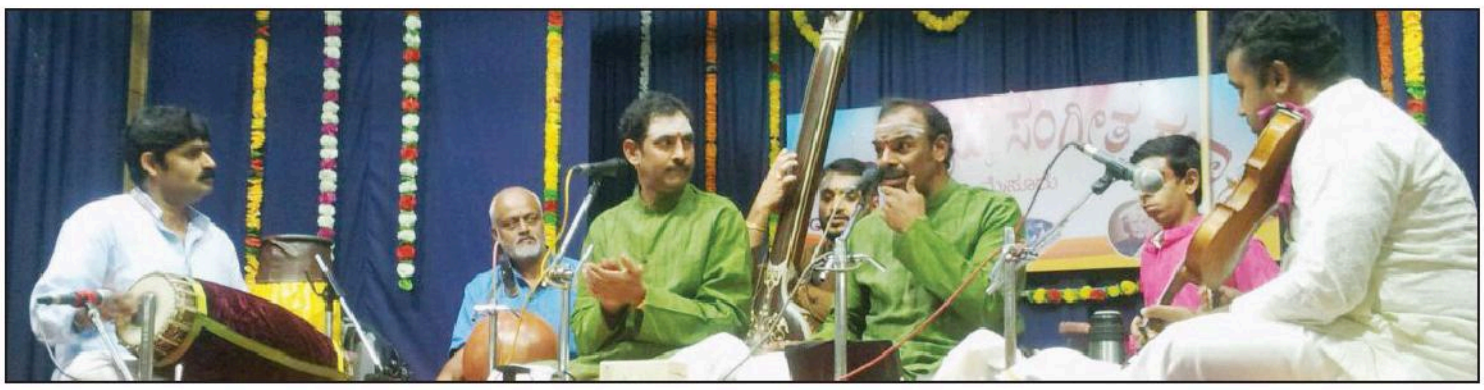
Sneha Narayan also performed Bharatanatyam commencing her recital with Sri Tanjavur Shankar Iyers composition "Ranjani Mrudu Pankaja Lochani" Kruti on devi set in Ragamalika, adi tala. She proceeded to present a Shiva stuti "Shambho Shankara Shiva" where the marriage of Parvathi to Shiva was the central story that the dance revolved around. The penance of parvathy, Manmatha's efforts to wake the meditating shiva, who under the Lords wrath turned to ashes and finally parvathi's marriage to her beloved Lord unfolded with the restrained performance. Sneha showed her artistry through a very chirpy rendition of Krishna complaining to his mother that the boys were taunting him. Bala leelas of Bala Krishna was weaved through this song "Adahodalli adikombaru Nodamma".

The concluding presentation was from the quartet that represented their **Lasya Lahari School of Kuchipudi Dance.** Guru **Rajashree Holla's** disciples **Mahima Holla, Sanjana Prasad, Prerana Wadhwa, Esha Mehtha** enthralled the audience with their Kuchipudi art that was sensuous and alternating between naughtiness and romantic aura. The coquettishness of a devadasi who ventured to seduce Saint Vipranarayana was brought out seductively in a traditional Pathra Pravesha Dharu - vedelera vairalu drawn from "Vipranarayana Charitam." This rendition was in Kedaragowla raga adi tala. While the devadasi was portrayed with abandonment, the concluding item tarangam was highly restrained while glorifying the fierceness of Devi who was ever ready to rescue her devotees from evil forces. Dexterous manipulation of their feet while perched on the rim of the brass plate, echoing the complicated syllables of the percussion was a befitting performance that lingered long after the concert concluded.

A sunday well spent, was the whisper of the satisfied audience, that wafted in the simple and yet functional auditorium.

An Evening of Melody...

By Dr. Padmavathi Narasimhan



Malladi Brothers — Sriramprasad and Ravi Kumar — are seen presenting a vocal recital at Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha recently. They are accompanied by H.N. Bhaskar on violin, Tumkur B. Ravishankar on mridanga and G.S. Ramanujam on ghata.

On 18th of January, **Malladi Brothers — Sriramprasad and Ravi Kumar** — sang for Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha. They were accompanied on violin by **H.N. Bhaskar**, on mridanga by **Tumkur B. Ravishankar** and on ghata by **G.S. Ramanujam.**

Born with a legacy accrued through their grandfather late Malladi Sri Rammurty and their father Malladi Suri Babu, Malladi Brothers possess a large repertoire of Karnatak compositions. The rare Varna in Asaveri 'Jalajakshi' was an energetic presentation. 'Vande Nishamaham' by Mysore Vasudevacharya was noted for their synchronised voices. The swaras developed for 'Bhasamana' had a rare tinge of novelty. 'Brihadambikayai Namaste' by Dikshitar's in Mishra Chapu brought out the essence of Vasanta in its rendition and Swaras.

Kannada Gowla is a raga hardly taken for detailed rendition in a concert. Ravi Kumar essayed the raga beautifully and proved that though some ragas are branded as 'the ones not with enough scope for elaboration,' they can be elaborated if the vocalist has the caliber to do so. In the presentation of Tyagaraja's 'Sogasu juda tarama', Sri Ramprasad explained how Tyagaraja glorifies the beauty of Rama in the composition — His face shining with glossy cheeks, his red lips resembling a bimba fruit, his charming smile, and his forelocks beautifully decorating his face. The simplicity of the sahitya matched every bit by the brilliant rendering of the song.

The brothers chose the right tempo for the song laying emphasis on the right words and phrases. The neraval and swaras for the pallavi were excellent bringing out Raga Bhava with each phrase.

Sri Ramprasad rendered the Varali alapana followed by a rare composition of Tyagaraja- 'Ne pogadakunte,' which also found an interesting neraval at 'Neeraja Nayana Sri Tyagaraja Charana.' Mysore Sadashiva Rao's 'Ninnuvina Gati Naga parula' in Malahamsa was rendered with an observation that the brothers also belong to Tyagaraja lineage. The highlight of the concert was Shankarabharana with a distinct and never-heard-before-sancharas-filled alapana by Ravi Kumar. His Alapana was a harmonious blend of known, must & should sancharas and rare ones, giving the listener a feeling of gratification. Deekshitar's not-so-frequently sung 'Dakshina Murte' in Mishra jhampe was rendered with majesty suffixed by mathematical swaras at the pallavi.

Bhaskar was quick to produce any complicated phrase sung by the brothers. Tumkur Ravishankar and G.S. Ramanujam's erudite scholarship in laya intricacies came to fore in the taniyavartanam. In the post tani part, the brothers presented the very beautiful 'Paluku tenela talli' by Annamacharya in Abheri, Devaranama 'Venkatesha Daya Mado' in Shahana by Sri Purandaradasa and 'Madhava Mamava' in Neelambari by Sri Narayana Teerthar.

Roger Federer wins

sixth Australian Open and 20th Grand Slam title

Melbourne, Jan.29- Roger Federer won his sixth Australian Open and 20th Grand Slam title with a five-set victory over Marin Cilic here yesterday.

The Swiss lost five games in a row as he dropped the fourth set but recovered to win 6-2 6-7 (5-7) 6-3 3-6 6-1.

Federer, 36, becomes only the fourth player after Margaret Court, Serena Williams and Steffi Graf to win 20 or more major singles titles.

"It's a dream come true and the fairytale continues," said Federer, who has won three of the last five majors.

Roger Federer of Switzerland kisses the Norman Brookes Challenge Cup after winning the 2018 Australian Open Men's Singles Final against Marin Cilic of Croatia on day 14 of the 2018 Australian Open at Melbourne, Australia.

National Roller Skating Championships

Varsha Puranik of Mysuru wins gold

Varsha S. Puranik (in first place-red helmet) seen in action.

Chennai, Jan.29- City's skater Varsha S. Puranik, representing Karnataka in the National Roller Skating Championships 2017-18 being held at Chennai, won gold in the speed event in the Women's section.

This is Varsha Puranik's 50th gold medal in National Championships. City's Rea Elizabeth Achaiah won a silver and a bronze, while Dhanush Babu, Shika Dashel won a gold each for Karnataka. The skaters are coached by Ekalavya award winner K. Srikantha Rao.

Hero Women's Pro Golf Tour 2018

City's Sonam Chugh fares well

Mumbai, Jan.29- City's professional women's golfer Sonam Chugh taking part in the Hero Women's Pro Golf Tour 2018's 2nd leg held at Bombay Presidency Golf Club, Mumbai, from Jan.22 to 25 fared well.

Sonam Chugh returned with a three-day card of 231 (80+77+74) and finished 12th in the final ranking. Sharmila Nicollet won the title with a three-day aggregate score of 214 and she tied with Neha Tripathi (214), but won the 1st play-off at the 18th hole. Neha Tripathi finished runner-up while Tvesa Malik (216- 75+72+69) secured the third place.

MDFA 'B' Division Football

Panther FC, Royal FC in drawn tie

Mysuru, Jan.29- Panther FC and Royal FC were involved in a goalless drawn encounter in their Group-B league tie in the MDFA 'B' Division Football League for the Govindaraju Memorial Trophy, played at the University Grounds here yesterday.

Both the teams secured a point each from this drawn tie.

RESULTS

Panther FC drew with Royal FC (0-0).

Saturday's Match - Soniya FC: 2 (Rehman 25, Fahad 52) bt **Easter FC:** 0, **Friday's Match: Cosmos FC:** 1 (Saqib 11) bt **Spirited Youth FC:** 0.

T.S. Santhanam Memorial National AITA Veteran's Men's Tennis

Nagaraj bags double

City's R. Nagaraj, who won the 55 plus men's singles and doubles titles in the recently concluded T.S. Santhanam Memorial National AITA Veteran's Tennis Tournament, seen receiving the trophy from the guest in Chennai on Saturday.

Mysuru, Jan.29- City's R. Nagaraj, an Administrative Officer in Income-Tax, Mysuru, taking part in the T.S. Santhanam Memorial AITA National Veteran's Tennis Tournament for men held at Chennai on Saturday, won 55 plus men's singles and doubles and clinched a grand double.

In the men's 55 plus singles final, Nagaraj beat Nirmal 6-2, 6-2 to clinch the title.

In the men's doubles, R. Nagaraj, teaming up with Sanjai Kumar (Kerala), beat N. Dilip Singh and M. Suresh 6-0, 6-2 in the final.

RESULTS

Men's Singles (55 plus): 1st Round: R. Nagaraj bt A.S. Sridhar 6-0, 6-0, **2nd Round:** bt Rajagopalan 6-1, 6-0, **Quarter-finals:** bt L.Srinivasan 6-1, 6-0, **Semi-finals:** bt G. Chellaiah 6-4, 6-0, Final bt Nirmal 6-2, 6-2.

Men's Doubles: (55 plus): 1st Round: A. Sanjai Kumar & R. Nagaraj bt Koushik Ganesh & Rajashekar 6-1, 6-2, **Quarter-finals:** bt R. Krishnaswamy & Balasubramaniam 6-2, 6-4, **Semi-finals:** bt Karthik Kailash & Rajaram 6-4, 6-1, **Final:** bt N. Dilip Singh & M. Suresh 6-0, 6-2.

Athletes, sports journos feted

*The Mysore Athletics Club, Mysuru, felicitated sports journalists and upcoming athletes of Mysuru district at a programme organised at the University Lions Hall in city on Saturday evening. Those honoured — Sitting (from left): **Nagesh Panathale of** Vijaya Karnataka, **S. Uday Shankar of** The New Indian Express, **Mysuru, B.K. Somashekar (Master Athlete), N. Jinesh (Janatha Agencies, specialist in making sports mementos), Meghana B. Devang (Best Athlete of the Year 2015-17), M. Bharath Sharma (Para-Athlete), Avinash Jainhalli of** Vijayavani **and K. Onkar Murthy of** Prajavani, **Mysuru;** Top row (standing from left): **S.R. Poorvika, R. Chaitra, W.R. Harshitha, K.A. Rohan Devaiah, P. Asuthosh, B. Manush, S.N. Sreedhara, S.R. Sharvik, Sharon Sthuthi, V. Ambika and R. Sagar — are seen with** (middle row - from left) **C.K. Muralidharan, H.R. Ramaswamy, K. Gopinath, K. Harish Gowda (Youth Leader), M. Yogendra (Secretary, Mysore Athletics Club), Vasu (MLA), Dr. P. Krishniah (in-Charge Director, Dept. of Physical Education, UoM), Ravindra Bhat (News Editor,** Prajavani**), Amshi Prasannakumar (Asst. Editor,** Kannada Prabha**) Somashekar (International Athlete), Mahadevaiah, N.K. Sundar, Srikanth and Gangadhar.*

AN APPEAL

Support to Save Kodagu from Destruction

The Environment, the Forests, the Landscape and the very future of Kodagu and its people are at stake due to the proposals for two destructive projects of Railways and four Multi-lane National Highways through Kodagu. With the felling of lakhs of trees across Kodagu, the death of River Cauvery will be only a matter of time.

In this regard, the **Coorg Wildlife Society (CWS)** is coordinating a **Save Kodagu and Cauvery Campaign** with the support of various organisations and individuals across Kodagu. You may be aware that we have already organised protests at Madikeri and Kutta last year. We have met the Chairman, Railway Board at Delhi and the Project Director of NHAI at Ramnagar. We have also taken up the matter with various political leaders.

However, in order to fight the vested interests that are hell bent on these projects and to put pressure on our ill-advised policy-makers, much more needs to be done. We will need to approach the Courts, organise more protests, involve National TV Channels and send delegations to Bengaluru and Delhi. Press conferences and other media-related events will be required not only in Kodagu but also at Mysuru, Bengaluru and Delhi.

We have already put in a lot of time, money and effort from our side and we will continue to do so. However, we urgently require additional **funding support** to be able to manage the entire spectrum of actions. **We, therefore, request every concerned people hailing from Kodagu to contribute generously and at the earliest towards The Save Kodagu Fund of Coorg Wildlife Society.**

Crossed Cheque favouring CWS, Save Kodagu Fund, may please be sent to our office address: Coorg Wildlife Society, PO Box 111, Near DFO Quarters, Chain Gate, Madikeri-571201. Alternately, RTGS payments may be made to CWS, Save Kodagu Fund, Corporation Bank, Madikeri, A/C No: 520101224054488, IFSC Code: CORP0000007.

Please show solidarity to our cause and provide us your valuable support.

—Col. C.P. Muthanna, President, Coorg Wildlife Society & Coordinator, Save Kodagu and Cauvery Campaign

SAVE KODAGU FUND

Donations received

1.	Dr. Kavadichanda M.Madappa	Rs. 25,000
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27.	Kuppanda Kitty Mandanna	Rs. 5,000
28.	Kuppanda Simone Mandanna	Rs. 5,000
29.	Cherumandanda A. Jayakumar	Rs. 5,000
30.	Baleyada Reshma Appanna	Rs. 5,000
31.	Kambeyanda Mallika Biddappa	Rs. 5,000
	Total	**Rs. 3,40,000**

NOTE: *Residents of Mysuru who wish to donate to "CWS Save Kodagu Fund" may also contact Kambeyanda Sunil Biddappa on Mob: 9740269955 who will make arrangements to collect the cheques from their residence.*

Accident-free drivers distributed medals

Mysuru, Jan. 29 - A total of 85 accident - free drivers from KSRTC Mysuru Rural Division, were distributed Silver medals at a programme organised at Mysuru Rural Division - Depot No. 3, Bannimantap in city on Jan. 26, marking the Republic Day celebration. The drivers, apart from the silver medal, were presented a Rs. 2,000 cash prize and a certificate of appreciation.

Also, 23 conductors who topped in EPKM (Earnings per kilometre) were presented a cash reward of Rs. 2,000 and a certificate of appreciation, while two other conductors who topped EPKM for 3 successive years and had a 75-day attendance in three months (April, May & June) were presented Silver medal and a certificate of appreciation.

KSRTC Mysuru Rural DC M. Vasu, KSRTC Director Govindaraju and other officials were present.

Likewise, 26 accident-free drivers of KSRTC Mysuru city division were presented Silver medals and 6 conductors who displayed best courteous behaviour with commuters were presented cash reward and service appreciation certificate at a programme held at Kuvempunagar Depot premises on Jan. 26.

CII conducts workshop on 'Curriculum to meet industry needs'

Sitting from left: Prof. S. Balasubramanian, Director, GRG Centre for Advanced Studies, Coimbatore; Arjun Ranga, Chairman, CII Mysuru; Prof. J .Philip, President, XIME, Bengaluru and Prof S. N. Prasad, Strategy and General Management Area, SDM-IMD, Mysuru, at CII workshop in city recently.

Mysuru, Jan. 29 - Xavier Institute of Management and Entrepreneurship (XIME), Bengaluru, President Prof. J. Phillip, citing his vast experience in the field of restructuring and redesigning the curriculum, said that restructuring curriculum happens automatically without much protocols involved, since it will involve concentrating on bringing in more privatisation-centric administration of colleges and Universities.

He was speaking at the two-day workshop on 'Restructuring and Redesigning the Curriculum to meet Industry Needs' organised by the CII Southern Region, in partnership with SDM-IMD and National Skills Network (NSN) being the online Media Partner, here recently and said that this will help in removing the barriers of recruiting foreign faculties where exchange of faculties in India and abroad play a key role.

Prof. Balasubramanian, Director, GRG Centre for Advanced Studies, Coimbatore, mentioned that the CII years' of work has been finally summed up with the Gateway called CII EDU GATEWAY *(www.ciiedugateway.org)* that will provide solution for all education needs.

CII is designing more components for faculties such as In-sync with Industry — A faculty enrichment program in tie-up with industries aiming to bridge industry — institute gap and enhancing interactions, he said.

CII Mysuru Chairman Arjun Ranga said that the faculties play a very critical role in moulding the students and their careers and as there is huge advancements in the technology, the teachers must adopt to their unique styles of teaching.

"There is a need to recognise the knowledge, skills and productivity of our growing young and dynamic workforce, which forms the backbone of our economy. In order to reap the benefits of such a young workforce, the educational institutions need to implement the reforms in the education system and also bring forth new factors of production, namely knowledge, skills and technology, which have the ability to breach the productive frontiers of the economy in the most efficient and dynamic way," he said.

The programme focused on bringing in faculties from autonomous institutions. This is the second batch of the workshop which CII Southern Region is organising and with many streams of workshop designed by CII Southern Region Education Committee, the CII is planning to take it up to the Government for Policy level recommendations in restructuring the curriculum for higher education, according to a press release from CII, Mysuru.

Centenary of Brahmana Dharma Sahaya Sabha

Mysuru, Jan.29 (RK&US)- Brahamana Dharma Sahaya Sabha (BDSS), marking its Centenary Celebrations, had organised a function at MMC and RI Platinum Jubilee Hall at J.K. Grounds here yesterday.

Over 800 members of BDSS participated in the programme. Sri Swayamprakasha Saraswathi Swamiji of Hariharapura inaugurated the programme.

Hariharapura Horanadu Srikshetra Dharmadhikari Dr. B. Bhimeshwara Joshi unveiled the statue of the Founder of BDSS Nanjangud Srikanta Shastri. Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar unveiled the plaque of Centenary celebrations. Retd. Supreme Court Judge M.N. Venkatachalaiah released the commemorative souvenir 'Brahmi.'

Sringeri Sharadapeetha Administrator Dr. V.R. Gowri Shankar and Civil Engineer R. Sundaramurthy were felicitated.

Speaking on the occasion, Bhimeshwara Joshi observed that the Brahmin Youth were not taking part in Sabha activities and opined that an introspection was needed. He regretted that the condition of Brahmins in the State was pitiable which should be looked into. He opined that every one in the community should work and revive the status.

Dr. Joshi appealed Brahmin leaders not to open Homes for the Aged as that would encourage the youngsters to shun responsibility and lodge their aged parents in such homes. He contended that purohits and cooks should be treated with dignity.

BDSS President N. Srinivas presided. State Brahmana Mahasabha President K.N. Venkatanarayan, Dhanvantri Foundation President Dr. P. Kamalakar Sharma, former MUDA Chairman K.R. Mohan Kumar, BJP leader H.V. Rajeev and former MLC G. Madhusudan were present.

We have become the cause for political downside of the community: Former HC Judge

Mysuru, Jan.29 (SPN&DM)- Expressing concern that internal wrangles have become the cause for political downside of Veerashaiva-Lingayats, former High Court Judge Arali Nagaraj has opined that Governments over the years have continued to ignore the community.

He was speaking on 'Political Unity in the community and saving the youth community,' organised jointly by Veerashaiva-Lingayat Hitarakshana Vedike, Veerashaiva Mahasabha and Basava Balagagala Okkuta at Nataraja Kalyana Mantap, Agrahara in city yesterday.

Reiterating that the ruling dispensations have continued to ignore us, he said that such an attitude of Governments would only lead to social, academic, economic and political insecurity.

Justice (Retd.) Nagaraj also warned that such callousness of the Governments would bear an adverse impact on the social and political status of the community.

Veerashiva-Lingayat Hitarakshana Vedike General Secretary K.P. Mahadevaswamy, in his address, said that it was a matter of concern that only one from the community was able to win an Assembly seat in eight districts of Mysuru region comprising Mandya, Mysuru, Hassan, Chamarajanagar, Kodagu, Chikkamagalur, Udupi and Dakshina Kannada.

Attributing the cause of poor representation of Veerashaiva-Lingayat in Mysuru region to disunity among the community, he said that the time has come to do some serious thinking on the matter.

Former MLA and Vedike Hon. President H.C. Basavaraj, President C.P. Thammanna, office-bearers U.M. Prabhuswamy, C.M. Prakash, Yelavarahundi Siddappa, H. Basavaraj, Veerashaiva Mahasabha leader Kanya Shivamurthy, K.N. Puttabuddhi A.S. Channabasappa and others were present on the occasion.

Man killed as he gets sucked into MRI machine in Mumbai hospital

Three held, CM announces compensation

Mumbai, Jan. 29 - A 32-year-old man holding an oxygen cylinder was killed when he was sucked into an MRI machine after he entered the room at a hospital in Mumbai.

The victim, Rajesh Maru, was holding the oxygen cylinder for an elderly relative who was admitted at Nair Hospital and was helping her to get a scan when the machine's massive magnetic force sucked him in, injuring him fatally.

The incident occurred at 8.30 pm on Saturday evening, when the family was waiting for a doctor outside the MRI room. The victim's kin alleged that a ward boy asked Maru to enter room with the oxygen cylinder. When the family questioned if he could step inside the room with a metal object, the ward boy is said to have dismissed their doubts by saying, "it's fine, we do it everyday."

Police have registered an FIR against Doctor Siddhant Shah, ward boy Vitthal Chavan and one lady ward attendant Sunita Surve in connection with the case. Meanwhile, Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis has announced a compensation of Rs.5 lakh for the victim's kin.

Chamundeshwari Constituency

Veerashaiva-Lingayat leaders hold meet

Mysuru, Jan.29 (SPN&DM)- With the State Assembly polls just a couple of months away, Veerashaiva-Lingayat community leaders of Chamundeshwari Assembly segment held a meeting at Basava Kendra in Agrahara here recently to discuss the political scenario in the district.

Addressing the meeting, Bogadi Nandeesh said that Chamundeshwari constituency has turned out to be a prestigious Assembly segment as CM Siddharamaiah has declared that he would contest from here.

Recalling the 2006 Chamundeshwari by-poll, he said that the BJP-JD(S) candidate Someshwara Shivabasappa, a Veerashaiva-Lingayat candidate, lost by a slender margin. But now the scenario is totally different and CM Siddharamaiah may find the going extremely tough for him in the forthcoming Assembly polls.

The BJP should take note of the CM's uncomfortable situation in the constituency and the party should make best use of it by fielding a popular Veerashaiva-Lingayat candidate, he said.

Pointing out that late M. Rajashekar Murthy, A.S. Guruswamy and Someshwara Shivabasappa had fought the elections from Chamundeshwari constituency, he reiterated that the BJP should field a candidate from the community in order to defeat the CM. Leaders Diddahalli Mahesh, Shambu Patel, Basavaraj and others were present.

Farmer dies of snake bite

Periyapatna, Jan. 29 (Veeresh& KS)- A farmer, who was indulged in watering the crops at a field, died after being bitten by a venomous snake yesterday morning.

The deceased farmer has been identified as Ravi (33), a native of Kunturu Mole in Kollegal taluk, who was cultivating the agricultural land at his wife's place in Chikkamagali village and residing there.

Farmers working in the neighbouring fields, who heard Ravi screaming, rushed to his aid and brought him to Periyapatna General Hospital, where the doctors declared him brought dead.

The body of Ravi was shifted to the mortuary where post-mortem was conducted and the body was handed over to his family members.

Meanwhile, Ravi's wife Bhagya has registered a complaint at the Town Police Station.

Snake Shyam rescues snake from a bike's headlight dome: Mysuru's well-known snake rescuer and wildlife conservationist Snake Shyam, has rescued a Cobra which was hiding inside the headlight dome of a bike in Vijayanagar 1st Stage in Mysuru yesterday.

Labourers, who were working at an under-construction building, saw the snake going inside the headlight dome of a bike and informed Snake Shyam, who rushed to the spot and rescued the Cobra, sending a sigh of relief among the labourers.

Shyam said that the snake was released into its habitat far from the city.

WORD OF THE DAY

Featly

Prounounciation: adverb [feet-lee]
Meaning: Neatly; elegantly.
Origin: Featly is an archaic word, used mostly as an adverb and occasionally, since the 19th century, as an adjective. The word derives from the Middle English adverb feetly, fetly "properly, suitably," from the Old French adjective fait, fet "made (for something)," from the Latin adjective factus "made." The English suffix -ly is the usual suffix for forming adjectives and adverbs of manner. Featly entered English at the beginning of the 15th century.

THE ODD WORD

Bellicose

adj. Hostile in manner or temperament. Demonstrating aggression or a willingness to fight. "His bellicose behaviour concerned authorities."

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Bite the bullet

Meaning: To endure a painful experience that you cannot avoid.
Example: When the time comes, I'll bite the bullet and take my punishment without a fuss.
Origin: In the medieval times, before the discovery of anaesthesia, when soldiers were wounded in battle and have to be treated or undergo surgery, they were made to bite on something hard to keep them from screaming out in pain. On the battlefield, what was mostly available was a bullet or a leather strap. So soldiers bit the bullet to be able to endure the pain of surgery without anaesthesia. This is where the phrase originates from.

QUOTE BOX

Accept the challenges so that you can feel the exhilaration of victory.

— George S. Patton

RIDDLE THIS

What is at the end of a rainbow?

Answer: The letter W.

SUDOKU

	7				4	8		
			5	8		2		4
				1		5	6	
	4				1			
		7				9		
			3				1	
	1	4		3				
9		6		2	8			
		8	9				2	

Answer to previous puzzle

6	7	4	8	5	9	1	3	2
3	8	5	1	2	6	9	4	7
9	1	2	4	7	3	6	8	5
5	9	6	2	4	1	8	7	3
8	2	7	6	3	5	4	1	9
1	4	3	9	8	7	5	2	6
4	5	1	7	6	2	3	9	8
2	6	8	3	9	4	7	5	1
7	3	9	5	1	8	2	6	4

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Small drop or spot
5 Unit of pressure
9 Creeper
12 Person's task or duty?
13 Eye complaint
14 Notice of exception, abbr.
15 Made cooler
16 Shakti Samanta's super hit
18 A deadly disease
20 Tic ___ toe : children's game?
21 In short, response to a question
22 Get to the ___ of : find out everything about, in a way?
25 Hurts; injures
28 Floor cleaning tool
29 Variant of Esperanto
30 The game __ __ : you are exposed, in a way? (2,2)
31 Fly-by-wire
32 Finished on top?
33 Colloquial word for a young debutante
34 Return on equity, in short, for the accountant?
35 Pick up leftovers in corn field
36 ___ said than done?
38 Part of verb to do
39 If and only if - in programming and maths
40 Caused a prickly, stinging sensation
44 Correct, amend or repair? (3,5)
47 French river
48 Horizontal Situation Indicator
49 Really clean and tidy
50 Arafat, for example
51 Private sanctum
52 English painter, noted for his nudes
53 Tense or tightly stretched

DOWN
1 __-a-brac: things of little value
2 ___ Ness : Scottish monster?
3 Bread spread?
4 Light for relaxed reading (3,4)
5 "Stars" broken as old time rulers?
6 Other in Spanish, "rota" anagram?
7 Norwegian rug
8 Colloquial term for a carrot-coloured haired guy? (3,0,3)
9 Passive
10 Word which is part of many a German name
11 This is an affirmative answer
17 A head covering
19 Abstract being - "sen" anagram?
22 You can shoot arrows with it
23 Halls, theatres
24 Sunrise poetically speaking
25 Coat, fur or skin of an animal
26 Aboard ship
27 Irritates or rankles (4,2,2)
28 English honour, for short
31 Done ___ : in serious trouble?
32 A lecherous man, esp. one considerably older than those to whom he is attracted? (3,4)
34 Remove impurities as from oil
35 Remove cotton seeds from cotton by mechanical means?
37 Instrument Flight Rules, acronym
38 A short simple song
40 __ is to say : in other words?
41 Former Italian money unit
42 He sold his birthright to his twin brother of Jacob
43 Amount owing
44 Thinker of great thoughts hopefully, abbr. (2,1)
45 Have no ___ for : find of no value or application?
46 Get ___ : escape?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

B	A	S	U	■	L	C	D	■	D	E	B	T
A	D	E	L	A	I	D	E	■	O	T	O	E
A	R	T	S	C	L	U	B	■	E	T	O	N
■	■	■	T	H	Y	■	A	B	S	U	R	D
P	A	R	E	E	■	B	R	E	N	■	■	■
C	H	O	R	■	A	E	R	A	T	E	D	■
B	A	T	■	O	G	R	E	S	■	I	C	Y
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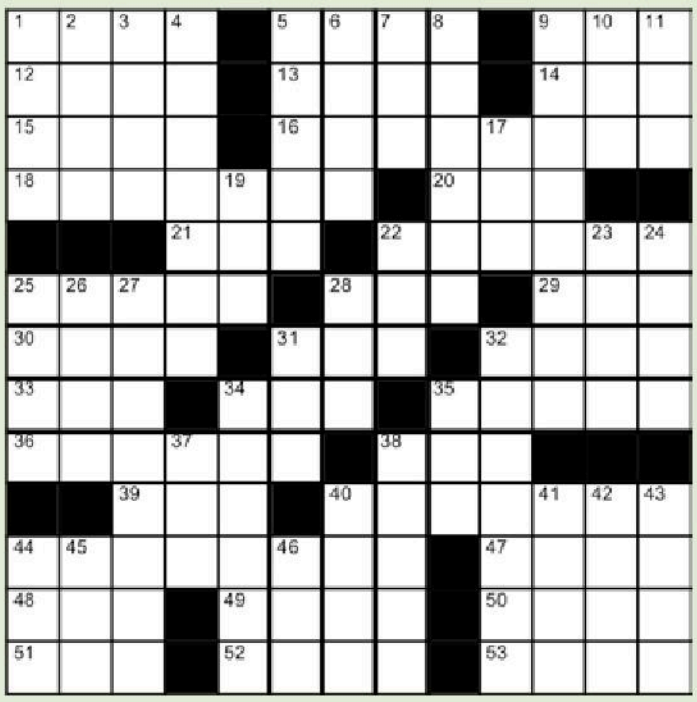

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

N QH Q HQVINGJ -- KS JXB PVKRAXK JBCLBCAO

TODAY'S CLUE: J EQUALS T.

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: I believe that professional wrestling is clean and everything else in the world is fixed.

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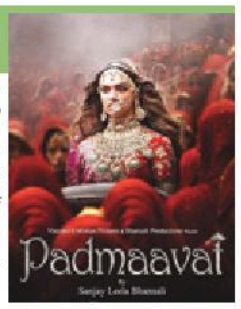

PADMAAVAT *(formerly titled Padmavati) is an epic period drama film directed by Sanjay Leela Bhansali. Based on the epic poem Padmavat (1540) by Malik Muhammad Jayasi, the film narrates the story of Padmavati, a Rajput queen who committed jauhar to protect herself from Khilji. Deepika Padukone stars as Rani Padmavati, alongside Shahid Kapoor as Maharaja Rawal Ratan Singh and Ranveer Singh as Sultan Alauddin Khilji.*

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Kanaka	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
	Sri Maruthi	9980351129	4 Shows
Churikatte	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
Raju - Kannada Medium	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
Anjani Putra	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Chamak	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
Shwethaa	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
HINDI			
Padmaavat	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
Haseena	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Bhaagamathie	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Gulaebaghavali	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows

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Padmaavat (H-3D)	(S-1)	10.00 am, 1.10 pm
	(S-4)	3.40 pm, 6.45, 9.55 pm
Padmaavat (H)	(S-1)	6.40 pm, 9.45 pm
	(S-2)	4.15 pm
	(S-3)	1.00 pm
	(S-4)	10.00 am
Raju-Kannada Medium (K)	(S-2)	1.15 pm
	(S-3)	4.10 pm
Aadhi (Ma)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle (E-3D)	(S-2)	7.30 pm
	(S-4)	1.15 pm
Street Light (Ma)	(S-2)	10.45 am
The Post (E)	(S-1)	4.25 pm
Bhaagamathie (Te)	(S-3)	10.15am,7.15pm,9.55

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Padmaavat (H-3D)	(S-1)	11.15 am, 2.45 pm
		6.15 pm, 9.45 pm
Padmaavat (H-2D)	(S-2)	10.15 am, 1.45 pm
		5.15 pm, 8.45 pm
Raju-Kannada Medium (K)	(S-3)	10.00 am, 6.40 pm
Bhaagamathie (Te)	(S-3)	1.10 pm, 9.50 pm
Nimir (Ta)	(S-3)	4.00 pm
Kanaka (K)	(S-4)	9.50 am, 12.55 pm, 6.50 pm
Churikatte (K)	(S-4)	4.00 pm
Aadhi (Ma)	(S-4)	12.50 pm

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

TV TONIGHT

7:00 pm Jeet Gayi to Piyaa Morey	7:00 pm Tu Sooraj Main Saanjh Piyaji	7:30 pm Mere Sai
7:30 Aisi Deewangi...	7:30 Ye Hai Mohabbatein	8:00 Vighnaharta Ganesh
8:00 Zindagi Ki Mahek	8:00 Rishton Ka Chakravyuh	8:30 Porus
8:30 Piya Albela	8:30 Ikyawann	9:00 Rishta Likhenge Hum Naya
9:00 Kumkum Bhagya	9:00 Naamkarann	9:30 Haasil
9:30 Kundali Bhagya	9:30 Yeh Rishta Kya Kehlata Hai	10:00 Ek Deewana Tha
		10:30 Yeh Un Dinon Ki Baat Hai
5:00 pm Man Vs. Wild	6:00 pm Game Plan	5:00 pm Animal Fight Club
6:00 You Have Been Warned	7:00 Football United	6:00 Primal Survivor
7:00 How Do They Do It?	7:30 Best Of ICC - Wt20	7:00 Mega Transports
7:30 Fail Army	8:00 Best Of ICC - Wt20	8:00 Savage Kingdom: Uprising
8:00 Man Vs. Wild	8:30 ICC Ct 2017 Hls	9:00 Prime @ 9
9:00 Battle Ops	9:00 ICC U-19 Cwc 2018 Hls	10:00 India's Partition
10:00 Man Vs. Wild	10:00 Cricket Countdown IPL 2018	11:30 Banged Up Abroad
	10:30 ICC Ct 2017 Hls	
6:00 pm Oggy And The Cockroaches	6:30 pm Mahaganapathi	7:00 pm Kaveri
7:00 Rn21 Spl Kris Vs Golu Matolu Song Video	7:30 Ennu Swantham Jaani	7:30 Avalu
9:00 Teen Titans Go!	8:00 Ayalathe Sundari	8:00 Brahamhastra
9:30 Horrid Henry	8:30 Shaneeswaran	8:30 Nandini
10:00 Ben 10	9:00 Nandini	9:00 Jeevanadhi
	9:30 Premam	9:30 Doddamane Sose
	10:00 Avaril Oraal	10:00 Sarayoo

MOVIES TONIGHT

6:43 pm **The Incredibles**	6:38 pm **G.i. Joe: The Rise of Cobra**	4:46 pm **Watchmen**
8:59 **Kung Fu Hustle**	9:00 **Shooter**	7:11 **The November Man**
11:05 **The Taking Of Pelham 1 2 3**	11:13 **The Dictator**	9:01 **Xxx**
		11:06 **Crank**
5:54 pm **Khatarnak Khiladi**	6:13 pm **Encounter Shankar**	4:20 pm **The Train: Some Lines**
8:55 **Gopala Gopala**	9:00 **Bhai - Mera Big Brother**	**Shoulder Never Be Crossed...**
11:56 **Ek Aur Rakshak**	11:34 **Loafer The Hero**	9:15 **Aaj Ka Gundaraaj**
5:12 pm **CJ7**	4:00 pm **123**	4:58 pm **Action Jackson**
6:52 **Two Brothers**	7:00 **Gadibidi Aliya**	7:55 **Jeene Nahi Doonga**
8:59 **Van Helsing**	10:00 **Premachari**	10:55 **Jaanbaz Ki Jung**
11:44 **Man With The Iron Fists**		

EVENTS TODAY (JAN.29)

Co-optex: Expo-cum sale, Co-optex premises, Narayan Shastri Road, opposite to More Mega Stores, **up to 8 pm.**

Sahara Art and Craft: Handicraft and Handloom Expo, Scouts and Guides Ground, behind DC's office, **up to 9.30 pm.**

Sri Nataraja Women's PU College, Sri Hosmutt: Valedictory of Cultural and Sports Forum, Sri Chidananda Swamiji graces the occasion, writer Prof. N. Girigowda delivers valedictory address, College premises, **4 pm.**

Shruthimanjari Foundation and Rotary Mysore West, Mysuru: 20th Annual Music Festival-2018, Music Feature 'Sri Thyagaraja Gana Vaibhava' by Dr. Sreelatha, disciples & Party, Rotary West Auditorium, opposite Kamakshi Hospital, **6 pm.**

Kala Sandesha Prathisthana and Ekatha Nruthyalaya: Kalabhivardhana-2018, Bharathanatya by Vidu. Y. Akshatha; Accompanists - Nattuvanga: Vidu. Anusha Varun, Vocal: Vidu. Deepthi Srinath, Mridanga: Vid. Hanumantha Raju, Violin: Vid. Narayan, **6 pm;** Mohiniyattam by Vidu. K.P. Shruthi; Vocal: Vid. Vinay Maanya, Mridanga: Vid. V.R. Chandrashekar, Flute: Vid. Hemmige Venugopal - Nadabrahma, **7 pm;** Bharathanatya by Vidu. M.S. Archana Bhat; Nattuvanga: Vidu. Nayana Shivram, Vocal: Vidu. Deepthi Srinath, Mridanga: Vid. Shashi Shankar, Flute: Vid. Rakesh, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **8 pm.**

Sri Vokkaligeshwaraswamy Temple, Mandi Mohalla: 44th annual Linga Pratishtapana Mahotsava, discourse by Vid. H.N. Ramathirtha, Temple premises, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JAN.30)

Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Manav Sangrahalaya (IGRMS): Exhibit of the Month - Lakkhi - Pencha, a decorative wooden object resembling an owl, Wellington House, Irwin Road, **10 onwards.**

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KSGH Music and Performing Arts University: Sri Tyagaraja Aradhana and Sri Purandaradasa and Sri Kanakadasa Punyasmaranotsava, Vidu. Dr. Sukanya Prabhakar inaugurates, International violinist Vid. Dr. Mysore Manjunath chief guest and delivers special lecture, University VC Dr. Sarvamangala Shankar presides, Goshti Gayana by students of the University, University premises, **10 am.**

Centre for Gandhian Studies and DoS in Social Work, Manasagangothri: 7th Sarvodaya Day, retd VC of Goa and Mangalore Universities Prof. B. Sheik Ali chief guest, UoM in-Charge VC Prof. C. Basavaraju presides, Gandhi Bhavan, Manasagangothri, **10.30 am.**

Mysuru City District Artists Central Committee: 8th anniversary, Mandolin recital by S.M. Janakiram and troupe, **10.30 am;** Sugama Sangeetha by 'Mallige Kalavidaru,' **11.30 am;** 'Yakshini Pradarshana' by Jadugar M.S. Guruswamy and troupe, Town Hall, **12.30 pm.**

Kala Sandesha Prathisthana and Sankeerthana Sabha: Kalabhivardhana-2018, 'Kanakadasa's Mohana Tarangini' Gamaka Rupaka by Vid. K. Ramachandra, Dr. Jyothi Shankar (including Concept & Direction), Vidu. Annapurna Nagendra, Vidu. Vasantha Venkatesh, Vidu. Dharithri Anandarao, Vidu. Sathyalakshmi Ananthapadmanabha; Violin: Vid. Tandavamurthy, Tabla: Vid. Kumar, Ganapathi Temple, Ramakrishnanagar I Block, **6 pm.**

Sri Vokkaligeshwaraswamy Temple, Mandi Mohalla: 44th annual Linga Pratishtapana Mahotsava, discourse by Sadashiva Guruji, Temple premises, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

Sri Tyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust: Vocal recital by Vid. B.N.S. Murali, accompanied by Vid. C.N. Tyagaraju on violin, Vid. Kanchana Eshwar Bhat on mridanga and Vid. Raghunandana Rao on ghata, Varasiddhi Vinayaka Temple, Vijayanagar, **6.30 pm.**

Abhiyenthararu: National Theatre Festival commemorating Silver Jubilee celebrations, well-known Theatre & Film Director M.S. Sathyu inaugurates, National School of Drama (NSD) Director C. Basavalingaiah and Karnataka Nataka Academy Chairman J. Lokesh will be present, Kalamandira, **6 pm;** Staging of play *'Moog Masala'* by Kriyative India Limited, Kalamandira, **7 pm.**

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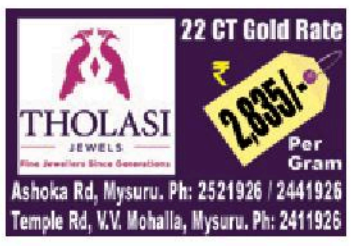

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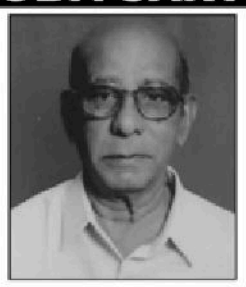

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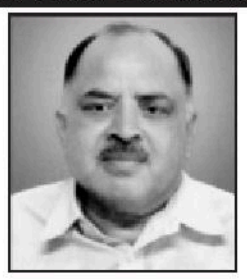

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